



"Our purpose remains the same through these many years – to fill the needs of children, which explains the varying activities to help the 'whole child.' I am happy to note that this cause has been maintained through the zeal and interest of the members, for personal contact and personal service awake true charity."

*Mary Virginia Merrick
(1866-1955)
Founder, Servant of God*



Mary Virginia Merrick's Cause for Canonization as a saint in the Catholic Church is in process. Learn more about her at www.maryvirginiamerrick.org and visit Facebook at Mary Virginia Merrick.

Our Chapters

Arizona

Phoenix
Tucson

California

Monterey Bay*
Pasadena
San Diego
San Jose

Colorado

Denver*

District of Columbia

Washington, DC

Florida

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Naples
Palm Beach
Sarasota
Stuart

Georgia

Atlanta

Illinois

Central Illinois
(Peoria)
Chicago
Quad Cities
(Moline, Rock Island)

Indiana

Fort Wayne
South Bend

Iowa

Quad Cities
(Bettendorf, Davenport)

Maryland

Annapolis
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Massachusetts

Boston

Michigan

Detroit
Northern Michigan

Minnesota

Duluth

Nebraska

Omaha

New Jersey

Cape May County
Summit

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Ohio

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Cleveland
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Geauga County
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Western Reserve

Pennsylvania

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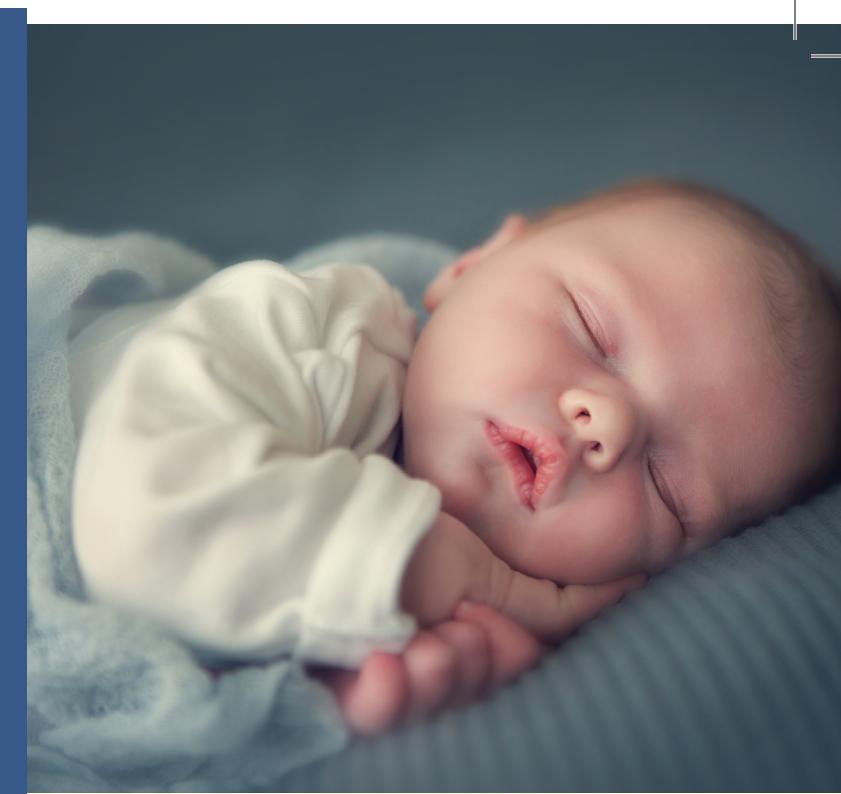
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NATIONAL CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY
WHERE LOVE LEADS TO ACTION

**"Nothing is ever too much
to do for a child."**

Mary Virginia Merrick, Founder

Who We Are



National Christ Child Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to making a difference in the lives of children in need. In the United States, 1 in 5 children is living at or below the poverty level. Our members are driven by faith, love and a desire to change their futures – one child at a time.

Mary Virginia Merrick started the Christ Child Society in 1887 in Washington, D.C., by providing layettes for babies born at Christmastime. Though confined to a wheel chair, she resolved to do something every day for the Christ Child and encouraged family and friends to join her efforts. As a result, the mission spread and chapters formed across the nation.

Today nearly 6,000 members in 44 chapters across 20 states are dedicated to making a difference in children's lives through personal service and basic needs support, delivered with love and respect. We are all moved to action by the words of our founder, Mary Virginia Merrick, who said: "Nothing is ever too much to do for a child." Our efforts are easily rewarded by a child's joyful smile and the lasting and trusted friendships we develop.

Learn more about our history, our mission and our impact at www.nationalchristchild.org.

What We Do

Each Christ Child Society chapter tailors its efforts to meet the needs of its local community, following Mary Virginia Merrick's directive to "find a need and fill it."

Our Layette Program provides baby essentials, books and parenting information to over 30,000 infants and their parents nationwide each year.

Our outreach programs focus on supplementing education, strengthening families or providing other resources basic to a child's security, comfort and success.

Chapter outreach programs include:

- Reading enrichment for preschool children
 - Tutoring for elementary and middle school children
 - Parenting education classes
 - Leadership, self-esteem, wellness and empowerment training
 - Basic needs support including new clothing, school supplies and toys
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The diversity of our programs offers a wide range of volunteer opportunities.



How to Help



Please send me information on:

- The Christ Child Society chapter in my area
 How to form a Christ Child Society chapter in my area

Your mission is important to me:

- Enclosed is my check in the amount of: \$ _____
(Payable to the National Christ Child Society, Inc.)
 To make a donation by credit card, please visit www.nationalchristchild.org
 Please send information on how to help secure the future of NCCS through a bequest

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Thank You!